In the Claims:

- 1.(original) A treatment block formed from a solid block composition which includes: a surfactant constituent, a diester constituent, and one or more further optional constituents.
- 2.(currently amended) A treatment block formed from a solid block composition which <u>further comprises</u> includes: a surfactant constituent, a diester constituent, a bleach constituent, and optionally one or more further constituents.
- 3.(currently amended) A treatment block according to claim 1 or claim 2-wherein the diester constituent a compound which may be represented by the following structure:

wherein:

 R^1 and R^2 can independently be C_1 - C_6 alkyl which may optionally substituted, Y is $(CH_2)_x$, wherein x is 0-10, but is preferably 4-8, and while Y may be a linear alkyl or phenyl moiety, desirably Y includes one or more oxygen atoms or is a branched moiety.

- 4.(original) A treatment block according to claim 3 wherein: Y is $-(CH_2)_x$ wherein x has a value of from 1-4.
- 5.(original) A treatment block according to claim 3 wherein: R^1 and R^2 are C_1 - C_6 alkyl groups.

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6.(currently amended) A treatment block according to claim 3 1 or claim 2 wherein the diester constituent a compound which may be represented by the following structure:

wherein:

R¹ and R² can independently be C₁-C₆ alkyl which may optionally substituted, Y represents a -CH₂-CH(SO₃Na)- moiety.

7.(currently amended) A treatment block according to claim 3 1-or elaim 2 wherein the diester constituent a compound which may be represented by the following structure:

wherein:

 R^{4} and R^{2} can independently be C_{4} - C_{6} alkyl which may optionally substituted, Y represents a $-CH_{2}$ - $CH(HNCOCH_{3})$ - moiety.

8.(currently amended) A treatment block according to claim <u>3 1-or claim 2</u>

wherein the diester-constituent a compound which may be represented by the following structure:

wherein:

R¹ and R² can independently be C₁-C₆ alkyl-which may optionally substituted, Y represents a -CH₂-CH(NH₂)- moiety.

9.(currently amended) A treatment block according to claim <u>3</u> <u>1 or claim 2</u> wherein the diester constituent a compound which may be represented by the following structure:

wherein:

R¹ and R² can independently be C₁-C₆ alkyl which may optionally substituted, Y represents a -CH₂CH₂CH(NH₂)- moiety.

10.(currently amended) A treatment block according to claim 3 1 or claim 2 wherein the diester constituent a compound which may be represented by the following structure:

wherein:

 R^4 and R^2 can independently be C_1 - C_6 alkyl-which may optionally substituted, Y represents a -C(O)-CH₂-C(O)-CH₂-C(O)- moiety.